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## **Patent Application**

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Title:

Method and Apparatus for Providing Efficient

Password-Authenticated Key Exchange

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 20, 2005, Applicant presents the following remarks for consideration: